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MEMORANDUM FOR: The National Foreign Intelligence Community
SUBJECT : Submission of Proposed Legislative Programs

1. In his 18 August 1978 memorandum (attached) to heads of departments and agencies, the Director, OMB called for proposed legislative programs developed in accordance with OMB circular A-19 to be submitted concurrently with the budget.

2. When the OMB memo was first received we felt the legislation needed would surface in the course of budget review. Consequently the requirement to submit a proposed legislative program was not explicitly stated in our FY 1980 budget data call. A legislative program has not in fact emerged. Therefore, I would like to provide you the opportunity to respond with a supplementary submission. I believe that any legislative package advanced by the DCI with the Consolidated NFIP budget should address legislation unique to the intelligence community or items not currently being considered in charter legislation. It should not repeat those items already forwarded by parent departments or agencies which have no particular intelligence community application.

3. Current schedules call for submission of the Consolidated National Foreign Intelligence Program Budget in mid-November. I propose consolidating the community's proposed legislative program and providing it to the President as an attachment to that document. Community-wide coordination will be accomplished in the context of coordinating the budget document itself.

4. I have also attached for your information draft descriptions of proposed legislation for the FY 1980 authorization bill and four items of interest to the CIA. In addition to proposing items of interest to your activity for inclusion, comments on the attached proposals would be helpful. I would also appreciate being advised of legislative proposals being advanced by parent departments or agencies which may be of interest to the intelligence community. Should you have no legislation to propose, a negative reply would be appreciated.



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